

Abstract

~~An apparatus for determining performance-indicating numbers in sports games, particularly in ice hockey, includes a database having sports games box scores stored therein. The database is stored in a tangible electronic media, such as magnetic media, optical media, electronic media, paper, thermosetting polymers, rubber, metals, or other suitable storage media. Such media includes computer diskettes, magnetic tape, optical disks, random access memory, read only memory, computer punch cards, and other volatile, temporary, and/or permanent memory devices. The database scores box scores, such as start time, stop time, team 1 goals and time of goals, team 1 goalies A and B goals and power plays, and team 2 goalies A and B goals and power plays. The performance indicating statistics can be electronically displayed after a game or during a game on the aforesaid tangible media, which may include among others, a video split screen display during the course of a game, a sports arena electronic scoreboard, or on any other video display, such as a global communications network or a television show.~~

A system and method for determining a performance-indicating statistic for a goal based sports game, the sports game involving time, the method comprising: storing at least one sports game box

score, the at least one box score representing a performance in the sports game; determining intermediate data related to the sports game from the at least one stored box score, the intermediate data comprising at least accrued time and any goal scored; calculating the performance-indicating statistic, which indicates a measure of performance of the sports game, from the intermediate data; presenting the calculated performance-indicating statistic. The at least one box score and/or the calculated performance indicating statistic can be electronically displayed on a video display or an electronic scoreboard during or after a game and/or may be communicated for display on a global communications network or a television show.